IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL SUBMITTED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Dear Sin:

This Amendment after Final is filed in order to respond to the final Office Action mailed November 17, 2006 (the Action). Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment after Final and the issuance of a Notice of Allowance forthwith. Alternatively, Applicants respectfully requests entry of this Amendment after Final as narrowing the issues on appeal.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge any fees or credit any overpayment, particularly including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, to deposit Account No. 07-1392.

Amendments to the Claims appear at the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.